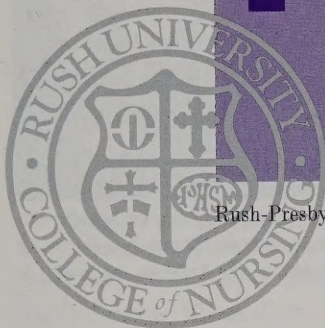


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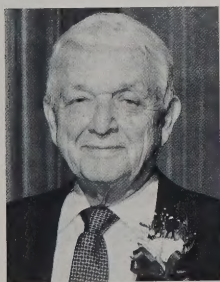
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Rush College of Nursing

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## College to Honor Distinguished Dean Luther Christman

**B**ack in 1972, when the Rush University College of Nursing was established, the first thing most people commented about the new dean was that he was a man. But it didn't take long before Luther P. Christman, PhD, RN, became better known for his ideas than the fact that he was one of few men in a female-dominated profession.



His plans for the college revolutionized the way this country thought of nursing. For his enormous contributions, and in cele-

bration of its 25th anniversary, the College of Nursing will bestow its 1997 Distinguished Alumnus Award this June to Christman, former vice president of nursing affairs and the John L. and Helen Kellogg dean emeritus of the College of Nursing.

Christman had one goal when he came to Rush from Vanderbilt University, where he had been the first male dean of nursing in the United States — to elevate nursing to full professional status. Historically, a nurse's job mostly consisted of giving shots, carrying bedpans and following

doctors' orders. But Christman saw that nurses could handle more responsibility if they were better prepared. So he pushed for nurses to earn baccalaureate and graduate degrees and develop clinical expertise.

Under the leadership of Christman, the Rush College of Nursing achieved a national reputation for its innovative "unification model" of nursing education and practice. Today, the Rush Model of Nursing continues to unite education, practice and research under one roof; professors, quite literally, practice what they preach.

Does the model work? Statistics speak for themselves: Of the nation's nurses, less than 8 percent are prepared at the master's or doctoral level. Of Rush's nurses, close to 20 percent have a master's or doctorate degree, giving Rush an impressively large proportion of nurses with graduate preparation.



The Rush Model of Nursing has influenced hospitals and nursing schools across the United States. Christman's outspoken views on nursing earned him a national reputation, leading to articles about his work in commercial magazines and major newspapers, as well as professional journals.

Christman earned his diploma from the Pennsylvania Hospital School of Nursing for Men in 1939. Afterwards, he chose to go into

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# Merrill Lynch to Support Scholarship

**M**errill Lynch, a financial services firm, has established a nurse practitioner scholarship with the Rush College of Nursing. The \$5,000 scholarship will offset the costs of one full-time student for a two-year program of study, or approximately 60 credit hours of course work, fees and books.

"We're very pleased that Merrill Lynch has made this commitment to nurse education at Rush," says Lisa Rosenberg, PhD, RN, assistant dean of support services. "It's very hard today for graduate students to get funding. They are an underserved group."

The recipient of the scholarship

— the first student will be announced at the convocation service — must demonstrate financial need, high academic skills and motivation to succeed, and a commitment to serve in the culturally diverse Chicago community.

"The foundation arm of Merrill Lynch is interested in supporting people who are committed to everyone in a community regardless of socioeconomic status," says Rosenberg.

Nurse practitioners are nationally certified health professionals with master's degrees. The major focus of their practice is to influence the health and well-being of individuals and families through prevention and early intervention strategies. As managed care, which focuses more on primary than acute care, grows in popularity, so will the need for nurse practitioners.

"Right now the demand for nurse practitioners exceeds the supply," says



**From left, Lisa Rosenberg; Abe Goldsmith, assistant vice president, Merrill Lynch Consumer Markets; and Kathleen Andreoli.**

Rosenberg. "One of the reasons for that is the length of time it takes for nurses to graduate from NP programs. Many RNs must work to support families or pay off undergraduate debts while in graduate school. Financial commitments like that of Merrill Lynch will enable more RNs to choose this very hot field."

# New Alumni Directory Coming Soon

**H**ave you ever tried to get in touch with an old classmate, only to find that the last address you have is

from 8 years ago? The Rush University College of Nursing is gathering together a complete directory of its alumni to help you locate your old friends.

The directory, scheduled to be published in 1998, will be the most complete and current reference of more than 5,000 alumni. This comprehensive volume will include current name, address and telephone

number, academic data, and business information (if applicable).

The Bernard C. Harris Publishing Company, Inc., will soon begin researching and compiling the information to be printed in the directory by mailing a questionnaire to each alumnus. If you do not wish to be listed in the directory, contact the College of Nursing Alumni Office in writing.

## Homecoming 1997 — Friday, June 13

- 10 to 11:30 a.m.:** "A Fond Look Back: A Historical Symposium" featuring Luther P. Christman, PhD, RN, FAAN; Kathleen G. Andreoli, DSN, RN, FAAN; Karen Van Dyke Lamb, ND, RN; Barbara Fisli, PhD, RN; and Stuart Campbell, PhD. The Armour Academic Center, Rooms 710-713, 600 S. Paulina.
- 1 to 3 p.m.:** Medical Center Tours; The Armour Academic Center, Room 710.
- 3 to 5 p.m.:** Alumni Tea, Hosted by the College of Nursing; Professional Building, Room 500, 1725 W. Harrison St.
- 6 p.m.:** Social Hour; Chicago Hilton and Towers, Waldorf Room, 720 S. Michigan Ave.
- 7 to 10 p.m.:** Annual Meeting and Homecoming Banquet, Chicago Hilton and Towers, Astoria Room.

If you have any questions, please contact Lynn Friedman in the Alumni Relations Office at (312) 942-7164.

# News from the Alumni Association

**By Karen VanDyke Lamb, Pres.-St. Luke's '67, Rush MS '82 and ND '91**  
**Assistant professor, Rush College of Nursing**  
**President, Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Nurses Alumni Association**

I have great news to share with you — we have met our goal of raising \$1 million to fund the Nurses Alumni Association Chair in Health and the Aging Process. We could not have achieved this without the support of our alumni. My most sincere thanks to all of you who made a pledge. You understood the importance of this effort and gave generously. A search committee of alumni and faculty is currently working to find the best candidate to fill this position. In an upcoming issue of *News & Views*, I hope to be able to announce the new chairperson. Our support will enhance the Medical Center's commitment to ensuring the health and well-being of that growing segment of our population.

## Homecoming Plans

This year marks a very special anniversary — the 25th for the Rush College of Nursing. We are busy planning special activities to celebrate this special occasion. During the morning of Homecoming, Friday, June 13, the College will present a historical program titled, "Rush College of Nursing: A Fond Look Back." Speakers at this program will include Luther Christman, PhD, RN, founding dean of the College; Kathleen G. Andreoli, DSN, FAAN, current dean; Barbara Fisli, PhD, MS '77, RN, a specialist on the history of the College; and Stuart Campbell, PhD, Medical Center archivist.

The traditional Homecoming Banquet will be in the evening at the Chicago Hilton and Towers. At the banquet we will honor the classes of 1947 and present the College's

Distinguished Alumnus Award to Luther Christman, PhD, RN, for his achievements with the College of Nursing and the nursing profession.

## Alumni Directory

Approximately 6,500 alumni of record have graduated from the combined school. Keeping track of all of our alumni is a mind-boggling task for the Office of Alumni Relations. We believe it is important to keep all of you informed of our activities and for you to inform us of news in your professional and personal lives. To this end, the board has approved the development of an Alumni Directory. The directory will list alum's home and work addresses, and professional accomplishments. This will be a great reference for all of you to use in keeping in touch with friends and as a source for professional networking. You will be contacted by the Bernard C. Harris Publishing Company, Inc., which is coordinating the directory.

## Revised By-laws

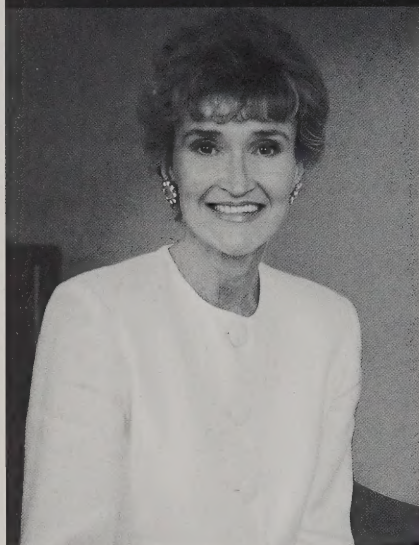
The revised By-laws as approved by the board are enclosed in this issue of *News & Views*. Please read them, and be prepared to vote on them at our annual meeting on June 13.

I look forward to seeing you at the Homecoming activities on June 13. Take the opportunity to reflect on 25 years of the College of Nursing, built on the traditions of the schools of nursing of St. Luke's, Presbyterian and Presbyterian St. Luke's. Homecoming will also offer a wonderful chance to reminisce with Dr. Christman.



# News From the College of Nursing

Kathleen G. Andreoli, DSN, FAAN, Vice President of Medical Center Nursing Affairs  
The John L. and Helen Kellogg Dean of the College of Nursing



**T**his spring, the Rush College of Nursing will celebrate its 25th anniversary — a time to reflect on our many accomplishments and to look ahead to what the future may hold.

Since 1972, we have achieved much to be proud. Luther Christman, PhD, RN, the college's first dean, arrived in a whirlwind on campus and brought with him a vision of the nursing profession that challenged the status quo (see cover story). He sought to promote higher educational standards so as to improve nurses' stature within the healthcare workforce.

We continue that goal today. Since Dr. Christman retired in 1987,

- Enrollment has increased. The nine nurse practitioner programs — five acute care and four primary care — flourish. This winter, the faculty approved a new area of concentration for nurse practitioners, "Advanced Practice Nursing for Altered Immunocompetence."
- Faculty research has increased.
- A faculty practice program has been initiated.
- Interdisciplinary education and practice programs with medicine and allied health began.
- Two chairs in nursing have been funded.
- Soft dollars increased by 9 million.

## Keys to Our Success

The future health needs of America will fall heavily under the area of geriatric care. We are planning appropriately. Last fall, the John A. Hartford Foundation, Inc., awarded the

Medical Center with a \$750,000 grant to fund a three-year program for improving care of elderly patients. The Geriatric Interdisciplinary Training Program is designed to integrate care of the elderly by teaching nurses, physicians, social workers, physical therapists and nutritionists how to work together to provide for the special needs of older patients. Only nine of these programs were funded across the United States.

The Rush College of Nursing will play a key role in the training of these professionals. Lois Halstead, DNSc, is the nursing project director.

Also, the Rush Home Care Network has received funding for its Older Adult Program. This program is composed of three parts:

**The Older Adult Information and Referral Line** — a telephone service to answer the concerns of older adults and their families about community resources and programs for the aging in the Medical Center and the Rush System for Health.

**Geriatric Care Management** — a service designed for older adults who do not require home health care, but do require assistance with long-term planning and care management.

**Retirement Community Joint Venture** — a new company that will provide services to older adults living in retirement communities, including personal care services and wellness programs.

And finally, we met our goal to fund the Nurses Alumni Association Chair in Health and the Aging Process. We thank you again for your vision. I look forward to celebrating the College's achievements over the past 25 years with you this June.

# Rush Alum: Improving Quality of Nursing and Health Care in Taiwan

**S**hou-Hui Lin, DNSc '91, RN, has come a long way since her childhood as the youngest of eight brothers and sisters living in a small, rural county in Taiwan. Today, she is president of the National Taipei College of Nursing and chief executive of the college's hospital. Lin credits her education at Rush with giving her the skills she needs to make the most of her positions. In this article, Lin discusses her career and the issue of healthcare reform in her country.

**News & Views:** How did you come to hear about Rush University's College of Nursing, and why did you decide to travel more than 6,000 miles to study in Chicago?

**Lin:** In 1985, while I was the dean of studies at the National Taipei College of Nursing, I met Luther Christman, who was then director of Rush's College of Nursing. Dr. Christman is well known, and his work has been published throughout the world. My school invited him to speak to the young nursing students. I was impressed to learn that the clinical part of nursing was emphasized at Rush — this was important to me. His views about nursing education persuaded me to come to Chicago to pursue my doctorate in nursing.

**News & Views:** In what areas did you focus your studies?

**Lin:** I majored in community health nursing. Throughout my years as a nurse, I concentrated my attention on home health care and case management for the elderly. I'm interested in those areas for two

reasons. First, people over age 65 are the fastest growing segment of Taiwan's population — as in most other countries in the world. But in the 21st century, the rate of such growth will be faster in Taiwan than anywhere else. Second, in 1995, Taiwan implemented a national health insurance program. Although we don't know what the long-term results will be, I believe home health care will become popular because it's more cost-efficient than caring for people in a hospital setting.

**News & Views:** How did you get the positions that you have today?

**Lin:** I returned to Taipei briefly in 1990 to gather information for my dissertation. At that time, the president of the National Taipei



College of Nursing was about to retire. I was recommended by the college for the presidency because of my performance as dean from 1982 to 1987. Although I had many competitors, the Ministry of Education appointed me to the position. So, in fact, I was promoted before I graduated from Rush. At the same chaotic time, the chief executive of the college's hospital resigned. I quickly took responsibility for the hospital to achieve some stability.

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## What is Taiwan like?

**Location:** Southeast Asia, north of the Philippines off the southeastern coast of China. Considered part of China since the United States-People's Republic of China Joint Communique was signed in 1979.

**Area size:** 35,980 sq km — slightly larger than Maryland and Delaware combined.

**Population:** 21,500,583.

**Official language:** Mandarin Chinese.

**Main religion:** Mixture of Buddhism, Confucianism and Taoism.

**Technology:** With 7.8 million telephones, Taiwan has created the best developed system in Asia outside of Japan.

**Source:** 1995 statistics from the Central Intelligence Agency



# Class Notes

## 1930s

**SYLVIA THOMPSON McGEE**, Pres. '37, of Salem, Ore., and her husband, Horace, celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary in August 1996. The McGees have five college-aged grandchildren.

## 1940s

**BETTY J. BROWN**, St. Luke's '40, of Indio, Calif., has turned 78 years old. She enjoys volunteering, exercising and spending time with her husband and great grandchild. "Regards to all my old buddies," she writes. "I'd love to hear from anyone."

## 1950s

**SALLY SAUTTER GORDON**, St. Luke's '55B, of Miami, Fla., has four grandsons and one granddaughter. She continues to work one day a week in the out-patient post-operative unit at a local hospital. Her husband, Bob, recently retired, though, as Gordon writes, "I'm not quite ready to give up nursing."

## 1960s

**NANCY LOU McNAMARA**, Pres. St. Luke's '60, of Geneva, Ill., writes of the birth in September 1996 of her first grandchild, Courtney Colleen, and an exciting three-week vacation to the Hawaii islands, Cook Islands and French Polynesia. She found her trip both "very educational and pleasurable."

**PATRICIA DALEY WILSON**, Pres.-St. Luke's '62, of LaGrange, Ill., has been a school nurse at Lyons Township High School for 32 years.

**LYNN ROBERTS CLUGSTON**, Pres.-St. Luke's '66, of Rolla, Mo., is teaching part-time at the Park College School of Nursing and working part-time in obstetrics. Last May, she graduated from Syracuse University with an MSN as a certified nursing specialist in maternal and family nursing. She writes that she also enjoys spending time with her two-year-old granddaughter.

## 1980s

**RUTH ANNE REICHARDT**, BS '83, MS '89, ND '96, is an employee of the U.S. State Department. She provides primary care to employees of the State Department in Russia.



Ruth Anne Reichardt

Registered nurse, **DIANNE R. MODLESKI**, Rush '84, has been promoted to the rank of major in the U.S. Air Force Reserve. Modleski serves at Nellis Air Force Base in Las Vegas, Nev.

Nursing instructor, **COLLEEN KESTEL-BRANCHAW**, MS '85, of Manhattan, Ill., recently represented Joliet Junior College at the National Institute of Staff and Organizational Development's international conference where she earned the 1996 Excellence Award, recognizing excellence in teaching and leadership.

The Institute is an outreach organization devoted to supporting teaching excellence and developing leadership among its 600-member

community colleges. Kestel-Branchaw, a nursing instructor at Joliet for 11 years, says she enjoys the interaction she has with students as they learn — their diverse background and experiences bring a uniqueness and a richness to the classroom.

**JANE TARNOW**, DNSc '87, an adjunct faculty member of the Rush College of Nursing, has joined Riverside Medical Center as director of nursing for the intensive care unit, as well as the medical and surgical unit. Tarnow has more than 25 years of experience in critical care, cardiovascular and surgical nursing. She was formerly a healthcare consultant for HealthSystem Consortium and the associate director of nursing at Indiana University Medical Center in Indianapolis.

## 1990s

**MARILYN FRANK-STROMBORG**, MS, EdD, JD, RN, who earned certification as an adult nurse practitioner from Rush in 1994, has been named chair of the School of Nursing at Northern Illinois University, DeKalb. Frank-Stromborg was most recently acting chair of the School of Nursing at NIU.

The author of five books, more than 50 articles and 17 book chapters, Frank-Stromborg is an internationally recognized contributor to cancer nursing research. Her book, *Instruments for Clinical Nursing Research*, was selected for the Book of the Year Award by the *American Journal of Nursing*. In 1991, she received national recognition for her outstanding teaching contributions when awarded the Oncology Nursing Society/Ross Laboratories Award for Excellence in Cancer Nursing Education.

# In Memoriam

## St. Luke's

Ruth B. Kuyk, St. Luke's '28, of Stroudsburg, Pa., Aug. 11, 1996.

Erma Brown Wilgus Roberts, St. Luke's '28, of Watseka, Ill., Jan. 9, 1996.

Beth Kominek, St. Luke's '40, of Tucson, Ariz., Dec. 1996.

Wanda Strandmark, St. Luke's '41, of Valparaiso, Ind., March 1997.

Lois Thorp Rissman, St. Luke's '58, of Preston, Minn., Feb. 6, 1997.

## Presbyterian

Evelyn Poppe Schlafer, Pres. '35, of Appleton, Wis., Feb. 19, 1997.

Phyllis Duvall Schroeder, Pres. '43, of Aberdeen, S.D., Aug. 25, 1996.

Sister Ruth M. Hilger, Pres. '46, of Gladwyne, Pa.

## Rush

Nancy K. Giuliani Kovs, MS, BS '76, of West Nottingham, N.H.

Kristen Kowalski, BS '96, of Hoffman Estates, Ill., March 25, 1997.

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## Luther Christman

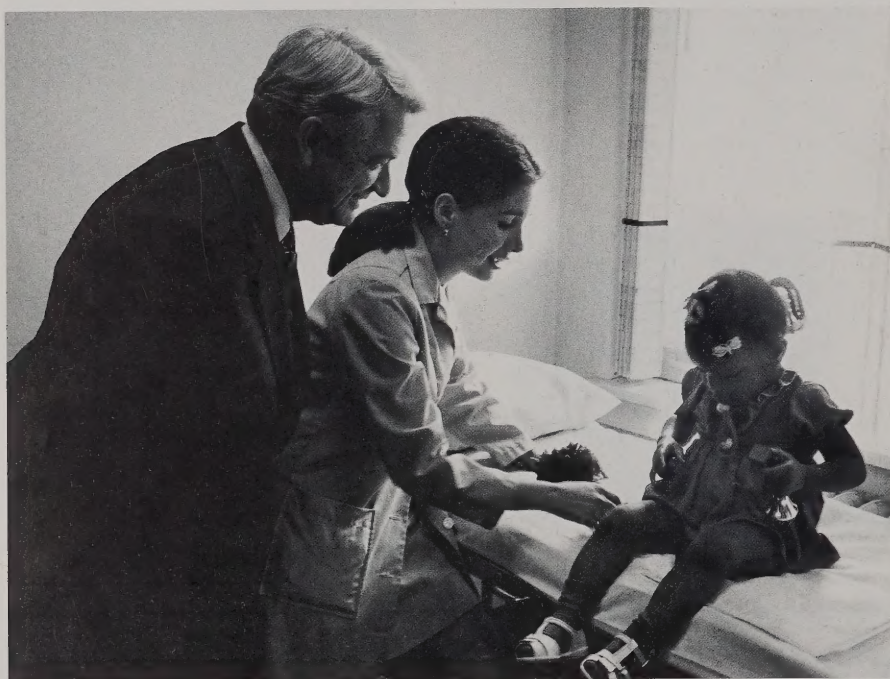
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practice as a private-duty nurse. In 1948, he earned his bachelor of science in nursing from Temple University, and in 1965, he received his doctorate in sociology at Michigan State University.

Christman retired from Rush in 1987, but he continues to remain active in nursing leadership nationally and as a member of the Vanderbilt University faculty.

Kathleen Gainor Andreoli, DSN,

FAAN, followed Christman as the next nursing leader at Rush. "When I arrived at Rush, nursing had achieved a national reputation for pioneering the teacher-practitioner model and the clinical doctorate — clearly products of the Christman period," says Andreoli. "He left an inspired, talented and highly motivated faculty who made my transition swift and enjoyable. I say, thanks Luther. Your goals are alive and well."



## Taiwan

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**News & Views:** What career achievements are you most proud of?

**Lin:** I am most proud of upgrading the college to become one of the first independent nursing institutions in our country that offers a bachelor's degree. I've also expanded the number of departments within the college, encouraged teachers to enhance the quality of teaching and research and renewed academic and cultural exchanges with our sister schools located throughout the world.

**News & Views:** What are the main issues that nurses face in Taiwan?

**Lin:** There are really two concerns. First is education. We are motivating nurses to pursue advanced study to earn higher degrees. Second is respect. Although nurses are valued in Taiwan, they are not always respected by physicians as much as they deserve. Perhaps earning higher degrees will diminish that concern.

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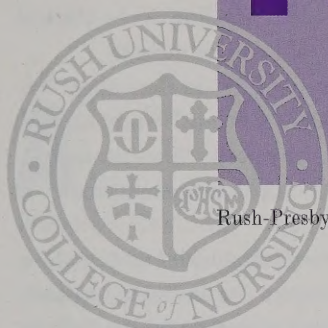
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## Alumna Challenges Myths about Grieving

by Laura Ramos

**W**hen a loved one dies, many of us need to know that the extreme grief we feel is typical ... rational ... sane. But often, we do not get that confirmation—even from the caregivers and counselors who should be helping us the most, according to Nancy Hogan, PhD, BS '76.

Hogan, an internationally recognized expert on bereavement, began her commitment 30 years ago to help people cope with grief. Back then, Hogan was a nurse technician who wanted to lend her support to the grieving families of her cancer patients.

"The families would call me about their suffering, so I started meeting with them," Hogan says. To prepare herself for the support group meetings, Hogan set out to do some research. But the theories in the books and articles on death troubled her. "I quickly became aware of the discrepancy between what the textbooks say grief is and what is experienced in the real world," says Hogan. "The rules on how people were supposed to grieve and end grief would do more harm than good."

The traditional theory on grief says that healthy resolution of grief requires severing our emotional bond to the deceased, says Hogan, who has



Photo by Jean Doughty

**Nancy Hogan, PhD, BS '76, is teaching classes in Finland on bereavement.**

a doctorate in educational psychology. That means cutting all emotional ties to the deceased—so people who maintain these connections are considered pathological grievers in need of psychiatric help.

But through recently published research, Hogan has found that maintaining an ongoing relationship with the dead is part of a healthy recovery. "Look at the people who go to the Vietnam Wall in Washington—that should be enough evidence that there is an ongoing relationship between the living and the dead," Hogan says. "We cannot erase people out of our memories." She hopes

caregivers and counselors will question traditional grief theory and base their diagnoses and interventions on current research findings.

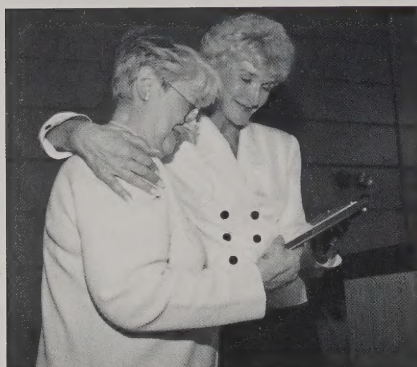
Hogan, a visiting professor at the University of Tampere, is teaching and conducting research in Finland this fall. In December, she will return to teaching classes on bereavement and research methods at the University of Miami, where she is a nursing professor.

Hogan presented results of two studies at an international conference on bereavement in Washington, D.C.,

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# College Honors Barbara Schmidt

by Amanda Temple



**Barbara Schmidt, RN, receives her special recognition award and a hug from Dean Kathleen G. Andreoli, DSN, FAAN, at Convocation in June.**

**W**hile a good mystery book seldom goes unread in her house, Barbara Schmidt, RN, St. Luke's '53, could probably leave the last chapters untouched. She usually has things pretty much figured out by then.

Super-sleuthing Schmidt says she likes to immerse herself in a predicament and find the best way to solve it. She's had plenty of practice

doing just that during her 44 years in the nursing profession.

When she began teaching at the St. Luke's School of Nursing in the 1950s, nurses were still sterilizing and reusing their latex gloves. She and a few other wash-weary nurses at St. Luke's convinced medical supply companies to market disposable ones.

When St. Luke's and Presbyterian hospitals were planning a merger in the late '50s, Schmidt knew the integration would be easier if policies and procedures were spelled out. So, she developed one of the nation's first nursing policy books.

"There have always been opportunities for growth and change at Rush," says Schmidt, director of nursing financial affairs. "You have to be a part of it, that's my philosophy."

That philosophy has gained Schmidt the praise and appreciation of her peers. In April, the professional nursing staff presented her with an award for excellence that paid tribute to her formidable accomplishments in shaping the direction of nursing at Rush.

More kudos came in June, when the College of Nursing honored her with a special recognition award at Convocation. Describing Schmidt's

long and impressive history at Rush, Kathleen G. Andreoli, DSN, FAAN, dean of the College of Nursing, emphasized her depth of involvement and keen understanding of the clinical and financial issues of nursing.

"Her tight fist on the budget has kept us fiscally solvent," Andreoli said during the ceremony. "She can keep her cool when challenged to 'Show me the money.'"

During Schmidt's 44 years with the organization, she has been a part of the significant changes marking the College of Nursing's evolution. When the hospital opened the Kellogg Building in the late '50s, she was responsible for getting the nurses oriented in the new facility. As the assistant director for Presbyterian-St. Luke's School of Nursing during the 1960s, she became involved in financial issues, the library and student health services.

While her titles may have changed several times in the last four decades, Schmidt's commitment to patient care and those who provide it remains as strong as ever.

"I may have an administrative role, but I'll always be a nurse," she says. "I think like a nurse, I care like a nurse and, most important, I care about nurses."

## Alumni Celebrate at Homecoming

**W**hile tradition has proven that a gift of silver is one way to celebrate a 25th anniversary, guests at Homecoming 1997 took a more active approach. This year's homecoming weekend on June 12-14 marked the College of Nursing's 25th year, and more than 275 alumni from St. Luke's, Presbyterian, Presbyterian-St. Luke's and the College of Nursing came to Rush to exchange even more precious gifts: stories and laughter.

The weekend kicked off on Thursday with the 13th annual luncheon and meeting of the Golden Lamp Society. Chairperson Joyce Keithley, DNSc, Rush '80, welcomed five new members and thanked alumni and friends of the society for contributing more than \$22,000 this year. Keithley presented the Golden Lamp Society Doctoral Scholarship to Christina Whitney and the Ruth E. Schmidt Endowment Fund for Nursing Education Award to Sally Wagoner, RN, BS, Rush '97.

For many, the highlight of the weekend was Friday's symposium on the history of the College. A number of experts took part, including Luther P.



**Margaret Faut-Callahan, MS '79, DNSc '84, greets this year's distinguished alumnus, Luther P. Christman, PhD.**

Christman, PhD, RN, FAAN, dean emeritus; Kathleen Gainor Andreoli, DSN, FAAN, dean; Stuart Campbell, PhD, Medical Center archivist; and Barbara Fisli, MS '77, PhD, RN, an

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# Nurse Anesthetist Works to Give His Profession New Meaning

**A**s a nurse anesthetist, Stephen A. Flaherty, CRNA, MS '92, DNSc '96, spends a lot of time making certain patients are completely relaxed. But as an advocate for change in nursing legislation, he also spends a lot of time making certain his colleagues and lawmakers are anything but laid back about issues affecting advanced practice nurses.



**Stephen A. Flaherty, CRNA, MS '92, DNSc '96**

Outside of the operating room, the focus of Flaherty's attention for the past two years has been the Illinois Nursing Act. The legislation is considered one of the country's most restrictive because it does not specifically identify or define the role of advanced practice nurses. As a member of the Nursing Act Planning Committee, Flaherty has been active in the lobbying efforts of the advanced practice nurses' negotiating team as they try to win formal recognition from Illinois lawmakers.

In preparation for a review of the act this past summer, several advanced practice nursing groups began meeting in 1995 to draft language spelling out their function. Their goal was to have that language added to the act during

what is known as a sunset period, which occurs every 10 years. During this legislative review process, state lawmakers can debate and determine if any provisions need to be added to or deleted from the act. To ensure the voice of anesthetists was part of that debate, Flaherty joined the committee.

"Since we're not even mentioned in the law, our full range of services cannot be explained, monitored or delivered effectively," Flaherty says. "Our role is diminished not only in policy but also in practice because patients don't have a clear understanding of our education or expertise."

Although his education is in anesthesia, Flaherty's activism is dedicated to all groups of advanced practice

nurses, including certified midwives, nurse practitioners and clinical nurse specialists. Already on a busy nursing schedule, Flaherty's role on the committee quickly developed to that of a spokesperson and consultant to other nursing professionals who were concerned about legislative issues.

Although the Illinois Nursing Act passed this summer without including language specific to the role of advanced practice nurses, Flaherty believes the increased attention will quicken the pace of change in the future.

"We've raised the level of awareness and activism," Flaherty says. "That's crucial to keeping this issue from fading into the background."

## Sigma Theta Tau Inducts 38 New Members

In June, Sigma Theta Tau, the international honor society for nursing, inducted 38 new members from the College of Nursing. Membership is extended to prelicensure and graduate nursing students who demonstrate outstanding commitment to the ideals and purposes of the profession. Members inducted into the Gamma Phi Chapter are:

Liane M. Bertoia  
Mary T. Bonaccorsi  
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Susan M. Breitenstein  
Eunice E. Choi  
Caroline M. Colby  
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The Gamma Phi Chapter also welcomed the following transfer members:

Mary Beth Fletcher  
Marcia A. Hankammer  
Jennifer Ann Meyers

# Marking an Anniversary and Losing an Old 'Friend'

By Karen Van Dyke Lamb, Pres.-St. Luke's '67, Rush MS '82 and ND '91  
Assistant Professor, Rush College of Nursing  
President, Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Nurses Alumni Association



**T**he highlight of our year, Homecoming 1997, was a huge success. On Friday, June 13, more than 200 alumni and friends packed a lecture room to capacity for a symposium celebrating 25 years of the College of Nursing. In the afternoon, alums toured the Medical Center and enjoyed socializing at a tea hosted by the College of Nursing. The day culminated with a banquet at the Chicago Hilton and Towers. Seventy graduates from the classes of 1947 were honored, as was Luther Christman, PhD, RN, FAAN, our Distinguished Alumnus of 1997.

Amid the celebrating, we also conducted some business at the banquet: New by-laws, which were inserted into your last issue of *News & Views*, were passed.

While homecoming feels like yesterday, it's not too early to start planning for next year's events on Friday, June 12, 1998. We are looking for nominees for the 1998 Distinguished Alumnus Award. If you would like to nominate a candidate who has made

unique contributions to nursing or to society, don't hesitate to contact a board member.

## We've Moved

If you missed homecoming, you may not have heard the good news: The College of Nursing moved into beautiful new digs on the 10th floor of the Armour Academic Center in May.

Many of you have fond memories, as I do, of living in and attending classes at Schweppe, once a state-of-the-art building that housed the College of Nursing. One of my favorite memories of living in Schweppe is afternoon tea. Held in the lounge on the first floor, these teas were welcome breaks from classes. While the teas were an opportunity to snack on petit fours and cookies, these sessions were also a great time to get to know faculty in an informal setting.

Another highlight of living in Schweppe was the private rooms—very unusual for the time and a real luxury to me.

As you may know, the wrecking ball will be hitting Schweppe in the next few months to make way for a new research facility. Those of us with cherished memories of days in Schweppe will miss it very much.

## Endowed Chair Search Continues

The College's search continues for a qualified candidate to fill the Alumni Association Chair in Health and the Aging Process. Last spring, the College placed advertisements for the position in key professional journals and sent letters to selected candidates. To date, several applications for the

position have been received. If you have suggestions for the position, feel free to contact me.

## Alumni Directory: Thanks for Your Response

In the last issue of *News & Views*, I told you about the Alumni Directory that will be published next spring. By now, you have probably received a form asking you to share your address and recent accomplishments with your fellow alumni. So far, we've received an excellent response. Thank you.

As we get ready to usher in a new year, the Alumni Association plans to stay focused on its goals of increasing participation in alumni events and supporting students. We welcome your thoughts and ideas on these topics. Feel free to contact me by mail, phone or e-mail ([klamb@cnis.rpslmc.edu](mailto:klamb@cnis.rpslmc.edu)), or find us on the Web at Rush's home page, <http://www.rush.edu>.

I look forward to hearing from you in the new year.

## Attention St. Luke's and Presbyterian alums:

The College of Nursing is looking for St. Luke's and Presbyterian alumni who are interested in talking to a class and sharing their nursing experiences with students.

For more information, please call Karen Lamb at (312) 942-3364.

# College of Nursing Moves into Modern Space

By Kathleen G. Andreoli, DSN, FAAN, Vice President of Nursing Affairs  
The John L. and Helen Kellogg Dean of the College of Nursing

**E**ach year brings change and growth at the College of Nursing, and at no time is that more apparent than at commencement. Each June, one quarter of the student body graduates and moves on to fresh challenges. This is another reminder of the College's continuing challenge to update and improve the educational experience of incoming students.

Modernization has been the *modus operandi* here at the College of Nursing for decades. We always strive to set new standards of excellence in nursing and patient care through our nationally recognized education and research programs.

In keeping with our commitment to modernization, the College of Nursing closed the doors on our former home in Schweppe-Sprague Hall last summer and opened a new facility in the Armour Academic Center of Rush University. Two new floors, totaling 94,000 square feet, were added to the former Academic Facility building to make this possible. The classrooms offer teleconferencing and computer-assisted learning, and will promote small-group learning. And the word from our faculty and all the new and continuing students is: They love it!

## 1997 Commencement

On Commencement Day, June 14, the College of Nursing awarded 112 baccalaureate degrees, 29 master's degrees, 22 doctorates of nursing and 11 doctorates of nursing science. This brings the total number of graduates from the College to 3,777 since its first graduating class in 1975. Combining the graduates of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing, Presbyterian

Hospital School of Nursing, and Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing, the grand total is nearly 11,000.

## Sigma Theta Tau

The College's Gamma Phi Chapter of the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing has been awarded the 1997 Chapter Key Award for overall excellence, with special note of the chapter's resources development and member involvement. The award, which represents the chapter's activities over a two-year period, will be presented on Dec. 5, 1997, during the 34th Biennial Convention of Sigma Theta Tau International in Indianapolis.

## Community Outreach

Since 1987, the College of Nursing has progressively increased the number of teaching and faculty-practice activities it conducts in the community. These outreach activities, which involve nursing faculty and students in both undergraduate and graduate programs, have three main goals: health education, health promotion and disease prevention.

The number of community sites across Chicagoland in which students and faculty from the College of Nursing practice, educate and conduct research has increased significantly this year alone—from 45 to 87.

One particularly successful outreach program this fall was the Back-to-School Health Fair, sponsored by the Polish American Association and held at St. Constance Church Hall in Chicago. Fourteen pediatric nurse-practitioner students provided

immunizations, hearing checks, vision checks and physical exams to more than 200 children. The parents and nurse-practitioner students were all grateful for the opportunity.

In the next issue of *News & Views*, we will highlight some of our community outreach programs and explain why they are such successes.



## Homecoming '98 Friday, June 12

Our annual homecoming banquet will be held at the Chicago Hilton and Towers. You will receive specific information in March 1998.

# Honor Roll of Donors

This honor roll of donors includes all nursing alumni who made gifts to Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center in the past fiscal year (July 1, 1996 to June 30, 1997). We have also included a list of our friends who made gifts to nursing at Rush during the same period. Our sincere thanks to all of you for your generosity.

We have made every attempt to list all names and class years accurately. Please contact Lynn Friedman, Alumni Relations, at (312) 942-7164 if there are any corrections.

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Martha Mills, Pres.-St. Luke's '65, Sally Brozenec, PhD, MS '77, and Karen Lamb, ND, Pres.-St. Luke's '67, Rush MS '82, ND '91, share stories at the Golden Lamp Luncheon.

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Loretta Bevilacqua, BS '97, admires a former Presbyterian-St. Luke's uniform modeled by Judy Trufant.

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Cathy Catrambone, Rush MS '89, and Anita Catlin learn more about the College of Nursing at a symposium during homecoming weekend.

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Alumni had a chance to peruse old yearbooks at the homecoming tea in Room Five Hundred.



# Class Notes

## 1920s

HELEN O'BRIEN, Pres. '25, of Chicago, celebrated her 100th birthday on Sept. 5, 1997.



Helen O'Brien

MARTHA PARK, Pres. '27, of Wheaton, Ill., attended her 70th class reunion this past June.

## 1930s

PAULINE MURPHY AARS, Pres. '35, of Coronado, Costa Rica, still keeps in touch with many of her classmates. In 1996, she visited with Jean Brandt Kemmerer, Pres. '35. Her husband, Charles Aars, MD, passed away in 1996.

## 1940s

MARIE L. EDSON, St. Luke's '40, of Costa Mesa, Calif., attends the West Coast luncheon every year. Edson writes that she is successfully combating the effects of macular degeneration with the use of a machine that enlarges type so she can read and write.

ELIZABETH GODFREY-ELPHICK, St. Luke's '43, of San Diego, is retired and volunteers in a prison ministry.

SARAH ZIMMERMAN BROWNFELD, Pres. '44, of Hinsdale, Ill., meets monthly with fellow classmates Marion Van Dyke Clark, Jean Gough, Millie Gustafson, Orvilla Pinkowsky Pupp and Rose Nemek Yauk.

VERBENA SMIT RUDD, Pres. '44, of Oxnard, Calif., and her husband, Clarence, recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with their five children and 16 grandchildren.

BETTY PFITTNER HANCOCK, Pres. '47, of Oconomowoc, Wis., and her husband, Harry, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in September. For the past five years, Hancock has been working as a temporary, part-time RN for Memorial Hospital HomeCare. "I would

love to be on an auditing committee for Medicare," she writes.

## 1950s

PHYLLIS MUNTER BACK, Pres. '51, of Syracuse, N.Y., recently earned a bachelor of science degree in nursing from the State University of New York Health Science Center at Syracuse.

CATHERINE KEEBLER, St. Luke's '51, of Chicago, recently displayed her works of art in "A Matrix of Memories," a one-person exhibit at the Fine Arts Building Gallery in Chicago. Many of her paintings draw upon images from her previous career working in a clinical diagnostic laboratory.

To celebrate their 45th reunion, several graduates of the Presbyterian Class of 1952 met for a weekend in May at the home of Betty Parks Eubank in Lee's Summit, Mo. Those in attendance were Elizabeth Erskine Bromley, Gloria Auerbach Christopherson, Delores Kennedy Hance, Lois Marlett Stewry, Diane LaCrosse Mannel, Pat Crowe Foley Collier and Rose Marie Calvert Payne.

LOIS V. DeVOUT, Pres. Fall '53, of St. Paul, Minn., retired in April 1996 after working 22 years for the City of St. Paul's Public Health Department. She spent the last 17 years as an OB-Gyn nurse practitioner in a women's health clinic.

## 1960s

PHYLLIS SCHLEEF PARKER, Pres.-St. Luke's '60, of Centereach, NY, completed her master's degree. She was the oldest student in her graduation class.

DELIA BENNETT HARTER, Pres.-St. Luke's '63, of Lynn Haven, Fla., writes that after her husband, Bob, retired in 1995, she was offered a job at a Columbia hospital in the Florida panhandle. "Of course we jumped at it," writes Harter. The Harters are enjoying frequent visits from their five children and three grandchildren at their new home.

## 1980s

JANE LLEWELLYN, DNSc '80, was recently appointed associate vice president of nursing services at Rush. In her new position, Llewellyn is responsible

for overseeing all hospital nursing services within Rush's 744-bed medical center complex.

MARGE DRUGAY, ND, MS '84, of Glenview, Ill., testified before a subcommittee of the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Appropriations earlier this year to protest proposed budget cuts for nurse education.

ELLEN DINKEL, BS '89, of Chicago, recently earned a master of science degree in health systems management from Rush.

EILEEN GLYNN-TUCKER, MS '92, BS '89, is an oncology clinical nurse specialist and team leader at Lake Forest Hospital in Lake Forest, Ill. She was recently awarded \$1,000 as a 1997 recipient of an Oncology Nursing Foundation-Glaxo Wellcome Oncology-HIV Products Congress Scholarship.

COURTNEY H. LYDER, ND '91, MS '90, BS '89, of Stamford, Conn., was promoted to associate professor on the tenure track at Yale University School of Nursing. Lyder is working on two studies funded by the Health Care Financing Administration to evaluate the cost benefits of preventing pressure sores.

## 1990s

MARYKAY CZERWIEC, BS '94, was recently awarded the Dorothy Rome Award for Nursing Excellence from Illinois Masonic Medical Center in Chicago. She was cited for her compassion and dedication as a nurse caring for HIV and AIDS patients.

KATIE OPFER, MS '94, of Mundelein, Ill., was a 1997 recipient of the Leukemia Research Foundation's Hematology-Oncology Nurse of the Year Award. She is an oncology-leukemia advanced practice nurse at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago.

HEATHER MATTY, BS '96, of Naperville, Ill., was named 1996 Nursing Rookie of the Year at Illinois Masonic Medical Center in Chicago. The award is given to a nurse with up to two years of experience who best demonstrates clinical competence, problem-solving skills and team spirit.

# In Memoriam

## Presbyterian

LILA M. ANDERSON, Pres. '29, of Minneapolis, Aug. 11, 1997.

RUTH E. SCHMIDT, Pres. '34, of Chicago, Sept. 29, 1997. (Please see the obituary on page 21 of the Rush Record.)

RUTH BERGSTROM WETLE, Pres. '38, of Chicago, Aug. 20, 1997.

MARY JANE SWEENEY, Pres. '41, of North Bend, Ore., Jan. 26, 1997.

RUTH SALK ORR, Pres. '42, of Western Springs, Ill., June 18, 1997.

PHYLLIS DUVALL SCHROEDER, Pres. '43, of Aberdeen, S.D., Aug. 25, 1996.

LUCILE LUCAS WHITTIER, Pres. '43, of East Lansing, Mich., Jan. 31, 1997.

MURIEL MCQUEEN BRANNON, Pres. '47, of Huntington Valley, Pa.

## St. Luke's

RUTH B. KUYK, St. Luke's '28, of Stroudsburg, Pa., Aug. 11, 1996.

BERTHA MAHONEY SECK, St. Luke's '33, of San Diego, Apr. 15, 1997.



**Ruth E. Schmidt, Pres. '34 (right), had many friends in the Nurses Alumni Association. She died on Sept. 29, 1997. See obituary on page 21 of the Rush Record.**

ANNA JANET TAPPING RIFE, St. Luke's '40, of Greeley, Colo., March 31, 1997.

BERNADINE SCHAFER RUGGIE, St. Luke's '43, of Park Ridge, Ill.

## Presbyterian-St. Luke's

SUZANNE HUPE, Pres.-St. Luke's '60, of Hazel Crest, Ill., March 26, 1997.

JUDITH REINKING SCHMITZ, Pres.-St. Luke's '60, of Plainfield, Ill., December 1995.

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NICK MICHELS, DNSc '92, of Harbor Springs, Mich., May 25, 1997.

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# Hogan

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this summer about another one of the traditional theories that troubles her: the idea of anticipatory grief. According to Hogan, textbooks in nursing and other health professions base practice on the assumption that families who lose their loved ones through illness have a shorter, less intense grieving process after the deaths because they start the process early, while their

loved ones are dying. But Hogan's research found that people did not suffer less when their loved ones died of illness than when they died from an accident, homicide or suicide.

"People who lose their family members and friends to illness feel profoundly diminished after the deaths," she says. "They feel misunderstood by nurses and other healthcare providers, and then wonder if they have gone crazy because of the profound grief they feel after the deaths when they are told they should be over it by now."

The nursing profession needs to take a strong look at how these traditional ways of treating grief affect patients and families, Hogan says.

"There isn't any magic wand to help people who are grieving their own deaths or grieving the loss of someone else," Hogan says. "The magic is in having the courage and grace to be present for them and to validate what they are feeling is real."

## Homecoming

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expert on the College's history. In the afternoon, the alumni toured the Medical Center, including the College of Nursing's new home in the Armour Academic Center. The tours were followed by an alumni tea hosted by the College of Nursing.

In the evening, the nurses enjoyed a formal banquet at the Chicago Hilton and Towers. The dinner paid tribute to the anniversary classes of 1937, 1942, 1947, 1952, 1957, 1962, 1967 and 1977. Karen Van Dyke Lamb, president of the Nurses Alumni Association, presented the 1997 Distinguished Alumnus Award to Luther Christman. Christman ushered in the modern era of nursing education at Rush when he joined the College in 1972.

"Luther is uniquely qualified to receive this award," said Lamb. "He contributed so fully to the field of nursing." Christman introduced the Rush Model for Nursing, which included training by practitioner-teachers, use of a physician-nurse team, quality assurance and research. "Luther is the Michael Jordan of nursing," said Leo M. Henikoff, MD, president and CEO of Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center.

The homecoming festivities concluded with Rush University commencement on Saturday, when 174 nursing degrees were conferred. (For more details on this year's commencement, see Dean Andreoli's column on page 5.)

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